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Natural Leaf Kratom Regulations
Toledo City Council
Sponsors: Melden, Williams, Hobbs, Morris

..Title
Urging the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy to Develop and Implement Regulations for Natural Leaf Kratom to Ensure Safe, Legal Access for Ohioans

..Summary
WHEREAS, Kratom (Mitragyna Speciosa) is a plant native to Southeast Asian that has been traditionally used as a natural remedy to combat various ailments; and,

WHEREAS, the unregulated sale of Kratom products may expose consumers to adulterated or contaminated substances, mislabeling, and unverified claims, thereby underscoring the need for state regulation; and,

WHEREAS, there is a distinction between the natural leaf Kratom and the isolated, synthetic compound 7-hydroxymitragynine (7-OH), a much more potent alkaloid and unregulated product is creating safety risks that do not represent the natural leaf plant itself; and,

WHEREAS, the public health concern lies with 7-OH products that are branded to be "natural supplements" to the consumer and pose a direct threat to vulnerable populations including adolescents and individuals in recovery from substance abuse disorders; and,

WHEREAS, several states have adopted the Kratom Consumer Protection Act which helps outline best practices for Kratom product testing, labeling, age limits, and bans on synthetic enhancements; and,

WHEREAS, the residents of the City of Toledo and the broader Ohio community would benefit from consistent, science-based regulations that protect consumers while preserving access to natural leaf Kratom as a potential wellness tool.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That we call on the Ohio Board of Pharmacy to create and implement regulatory framework that ensures product testing, sets age restrictions, and requires truthful labeling to protect patients using natural leaf Kratom.

SECTION 2. That the Clerk of Council is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Ohio Board of Pharmacy on behalf of Toledo City Council.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted _____, as an emergency measure: yeas _____, nays _____.

Attest: _____ _____
Clerk of Council President of Council

Approved: _____ _____
Mayor

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance passed by Council _____.

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council